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OF THE

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OF

Colored Women

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NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF COLORED WOMEN

SESSION AT

LINCOLN UNIVERSITY, JEFFERSON CITY, MO.

JUNE 26, 27, 28,
1946

Motto—"Lifting As We Climb

Slogan—"Dependable and on Time"

50th Anniversary Celebration

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Chrm. Mother, Home, Child—Mrs. Marjorie Banks.....

.....302 Second, Chillicothe

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Post War Planning Committee—Mrs. Vandolia Martin	St. Louis

PAST PRESIDENTS

ACTIVE

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PROGRAM

Education Scholarship Industry

Convention Theme—"Looking at Problems of the Post-war World"

WEDNESDAY MORNING

8:30 Registration of Delegates

8:30 Organization of Committee called by Chairmen

8:00 Executive Board Meeting Miss Bessie L. Banks, Chairman

9:30 Opening of Session

1st Vice Pres., Mrs. E. C. Grady, presiding

State Song

Prayer—Chaplain, Mrs. Jessie Ward, St. Louis

Official Roll of Officers and Chairmen

Music—Chairman of the Music, Mrs. Alma Beaver

10:00 Assembly of Past Presidents

Presentation of the President, Mrs. Cleopatra Kinney Gooch, by Mrs. E. C. Grady, 1st Vice President

Greetings—President, Mrs. Cleopatra Kinney Gooch

Music—Glee Club—Director of Music, Mrs. Alma Beavers

11:30 The Remembrance Hour—Mrs. Lucy Harris, presiding

Music—Director of Music, Lincoln University, Jefferson City

Prayer—Chaplain, Mrs. Jessie Ward, St. Louis

Music—Group Singing

Tributes—Mrs. Marie Cranshaw of Trenton

Music—Group Singing

12:30 Lunch and Announcements

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON

Mrs. Cleopatra Gooch, Presiding

Opening—Music Mrs. Alma Beaver, Director of Music, Sedalia

Prayer—Chaplain, Mrs. Jessie Ward, St. Louis

Minutes of last session—Mrs. M. Smith, Rec. Se'y., Kansas City

Minute of Ex. Board Meeting—Mrs. Pearl M. Dabney, Sec'y.

2:30 Roll Call of Committees—Mrs. Cleopatra Gooch, President

3:00 Presentation of Missouri Association of Colored Girls—Miss Margaret Robinson, State Supervisor, St. Louis

3:30 President's Annual Address

Report of District Supervisors

4:30 Introduction of Visitors—Mrs. Sylvelene Jones, Chairman of Courtesy Committee

5:00—Announcement —Adjournment

WEDNESDAY EVENING

An Evening with Jefferson City Club Women

Celebration of 50th Anniversary of

Missouri State Association of Colored Women

Music ..... Negro Anthem

Prayer ..... Mrs. Lulu Logan

Music

Welcome on behalf of city ..... Mayor Owen

Welcome on behalf of Lincoln University ..... Dr. S. D. Scruggs

Welcome on behalf of club women ..... Mrs. Mary Pethy

Welcome on behalf of Association of Girls

Welcome on behalf of churches .....
Rev. C. B. Johnson, Pastor 2nd Baptist Church, Jefferson City

Response ..... Mrs. Gooch

Music—Solo ..... Mrs. Christine Richards, Sedalia

"50th Anniversary"—Pageant—Written and directed by Past President Arsania M. Williams

Remarks ..... Miss Bessie Banks, R. N.

Reception at Community Center after the Program

THURSDAY MORNING

Mrs. E. C. Grady, Presiding

8:45 Worship Service by Chaplain

9:00 Business Period

9:45 Selection Musical Department Lincoln University

10:00 Address—Education For Racial Tolerance—Dr. Clyde Minor

10:30 Address—"Citizenship In a Democracy"—Miss Regina Goff, Assistant Professor of Education, Lincoln University

11:00 Lecture and Pictures of Wheatley-Provident Hospital, Dr. L. M. Tillman, Medical Director of Wheatley Hospital and Mrs. Minnie L. Crosthewaite, Social Service Worker of Wheatley-Provident Hospital

Music—Selected—Musical Department Lincoln University

Announcements

Lunch

THURSDAY AFTERNOON

Mrs. Cleopatra Gooch, Presiding

1:45 Opening—Music—Group Singing
Prayer—Chaplain, Mrs. Jessie Ward, St. Louis

2:00 Address—"What the Church Can Do In Aiding Race Relations"
Rev. C. B. Johnson, Pastor 2nd Baptist Church, Jefferson City

2:30 Open For Discussion
Talk—"Growing Up As Citizens of One World"—Mrs. E. C. Grady, 1st Vice-President, St. Louis

3:00 "Mother, Home, and Child"—Mrs. Marjorie Banks, Chrm.

"Mother, the Key to Post War Security"

"What Must the Mother of Today Know?"

1. Willingness to Assume Responsibility—Mrs. Zenobia Wilson
2. Spirit of Sacrifice—Mrs. Lucille Wilson
3. Correct Standard and Ideals of Society—Mrs. Mildred Smith

"Home"

"A Glmipse In the Post War Home"—Mrs. Eileen Price

"Security of Home Life"—Mrs. Lucille Williams

"Child"

"Children Bear the Promise of a Better World"

1. Protect Them From Harmful Community Influence and Avoid Juvenile Delinquency"—Mrs. Mildred Boone
2. Their Education Is Democracy's Strength—Mrs. Mildred Boone, Columbia

Summary Mrs. Pearl Dabney

Announcements — Adjournment

THURSDAY EVENING

Mrs. Cleopatra Gooch, Presiding

Mrs. J. R. A. Crossland, Chairman of Student Aid Fund

Music—Selected—Lincoln University

Negro Anthem

Invocation

Music—Selected—Lincoln University

Solo—Mrs. Christine B. Richards

Introduction of Guest Speaker—Mrs. Pearl Dabney of Kansas City, Past President

Address—Dr. Sherman D. Scruggs, President at Lincoln University

Music

Special Feature—Mesdames Crossland, Dabney, Boone and Crothwaite

Reports from Arts and Crafts Committee—Mrs. Mae Lee, Chairman. Chillicothe

Benediction

FRIDAY MORNING

8:30 Worship Service

Music—State Director of Music—Mrs. Alma Beaver

Prayer

9:00 Minutes of Thursday—Mrs. Mildred Smith, Rec. Sec'y.

9:15 Final Report of Clubs

10:00 Open Forum—"Cancer"—Miss Bessie Banks, R. N., Chillicothe

11:00 Talk—"Safeguarding Civil Liberties"—Dr. J. Erroll Miller, Assistant Professor of Government at Lincoln University

Music—Selected—Lincoln University

Announcements

FRIDAY AFTERNOON

2:00 Opening Music ..... Mrs. Alma Beaver, Sedalia

Business Period

Report of Findings Committee ..... Mrs. Jessie Ruffin, Kansas City

Report of Resolution ..... Mrs. Mildred Boone, G. W. M. of Columbia

Report of Arts and Crafts ..... Mrs. Mae Lee, Chillicothe

Report of Time and Place

Election and Installation of Officers

Music—State Music Director

Adjournment

NATIONAL ANTHEM

Lift ever voice and sing, till earth and heaven ring
Ring with the harmonies of Liberty;
Let our rejoicing rise high as the listening skies,
Let it resound loud as the rolling sea
Sing a song, full of the faith that the dark past has taught us,
Sing a song, full of the hope that the present has brought us,
Facing the rising sun, of our new day begun,
Let us march on till Victory is won.
God of our weary years, God of our silent tears
Thou who hath brought us thus far on the way
Thou who hast by thy might led us into the light
Keep us forever in the path we pray
Lest our feet stray from the places our God where we met thee
Lest our hearts, drunk with the wine of the world we forget the
Shadowed beneath thy hand, may we forever stand
True to our God, True to our native land.

STATE SONG

WE HAIL FROM MISSOURI

We hail from Missouri, the grand old State;
To uplift humanity we stand.
For all that is noble, holy and great.
That others too may join our band.

CHORUS

We hail from Missouri, the grand old State;
To uplift mankind we firmly stand—
We hail from Missouri, the grand old state;
United in one loyal band:
Our noble band is some thousand strong,
In thought and purpose we are as one
To fight for the right till the vict'rys won,
United we join in one great song:
We'll try to crush wrong with all our might,
And what ever we may chance to
We'll live our lives pure, beautiful and bright
That all who seek the light may see.
When the lamp of our lives is growing dim,
And work here must forever close,
May we eternally abide with Him,
And on His Loving breast repose.

NOTES

Keep us, O God, from Pettiness; let us be large in thought, in word in deed. Let us be done with fault-finding and leave off self-seeking; may we put away pretense and meet each other face to face, without prejudice. May we not be hasty in judgment, but always generous. Let us take time for all things; make us grow calm, serene and gentle; teach us to put into action our better impulse, straight forward and unafraid. Grant that we may realize it is the little things that creates differences, that in the big things of life we are one. And may we strive to touch and know the common woman's heart of us all. And O Lord God, let us not forget to be kind.